

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3705

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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Hawthorne Avenue Pedestrian and Bicyclist Overcrossing in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Bend, Oregon, 710 NW Wall St, Bend, Oregon 97704. The bridge project would span U.S. Highway 97 and the railroad tracks in Bend, Oregon 97704.

The funding would be used for a safe east-west crossing on Hawthorne Avenue of the BNSF Railway and the US 97 Bend Parkway for people who bike, walk, and roll.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will offer safer and improved east-west travel between areas of the city divided rail and US 97; help accommodate future growth in the City; and increase access to housing and transportation for underserved residents.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Lori Chavez-DeRemer
Member of Congress